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**THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH – THE PRESIDENCY’S DISTINGUISHED OFFICE**

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| **POWERPOINT FRAME:** | **NOTES OR ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS:** |
| **1. Title Frame** | **The Distinguished Office: The Presidency and the Executive Branch of Government** |
| **2. Write out the four (4) organizing questions of the unit in the space provided here.** |  |
| **3. According to the United States Constitution, what is the purpose of the Executive Branch of the government? What other roles does the President play besides the ones enumerated in the Constitution for the office?** |  |
| **4. List six (6) official roles of the President of the United States of America.**  **1.**  **2.**  **3.** | **4.**  **5.**  **6.** |
| **5. List six (6) essential responsibilities of the President of the United States of America.** | ***OVER*** |
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| **6. What is the purpose of the Electoral College System in the United States Constitution. Has this peculiar system ever resulted in the candidate with the highest popular vote total losing? If so, when?** |  |
| **7. What state has the largest influence in the Electoral College in terms of winner take all votes?**  **How many Electoral College votes does the state of Virginia have in the system?** | **Which seven (7) states and independent cities have the least influence on the Electoral College System?** |
| **8. How many Electoral College votes must a Presidential candidate secure in order to guarantee his election to office?** | **8A. What does it mean that Virginia is a classic “Swing State?”** |
| **9. List at least three (3) powers which allow the President to influence the Congress or to overrule the decisions of the Legislative Branch?** |  |
| **10. List at least five (5) departments of the Federal Bureaucracy which answer directly to the President of the United States and briefly explain the importance of each.**  **10. List at least five (5) departments of the Federal Bureaucracy which answer directly to the President of the United States and briefly explain the importance of each.**  **11. Review the list of Federal Departments.** | **1.**  ***OVER***  **2.**  **3.**  **4.**  **5.** |
| **12. What is the job of each of the individual members of the President’s Cabinet listed below? Who currently holds these offices under the present administration?**  **Secretary of State –**  **Secretary of Defense –**  **Attorney General –** |  |
| **13. List at least five (5) executive agencies which enforce United States federal law and are answerable directly to the President of the United States of America.**  **1.**  **2.** | **3.**  **4.**  **5.** |
| **14. List two (2) very important regulatory agencies of the Executive Branch and explain what they do to uphold the law in the United States.** | **1**  **2.** |
| **15. What American President had claimed the right to hire anyone he wanted for public jobs with the government, because “to the victor goes the spoils…?”**  **What law was passed in order to “clean up” the Civil Service and place higher quality standards on the men and women working in the federal bureaucracy?** |  |